

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 201

By Bibb

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women's Committee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding citizens who are dedicated to agriculture and recognize the importance of farming in our society; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women's Committee (RCFB) have distinguished themselves as agriculturists of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the RCFB Women's Committee held its first meeting on October 20, 1921; today, twenty-two members participate in this honorable organization; and

WHEREAS, these farm bureau women constantly strive to educate the community by working with teachers and students throughout Robertson County in many capacities: they distribute *Ag in the Classroom* materials, hold local workshops for teachers to distribute AITC materials, help teachers further their knowledge of agriculture, hold an annual Agriculture Farm Tour for students and teachers, and work with the 4-H organization to celebrate June Dairy Month and other activities associated with farming; and

WHEREAS, the Women's Committee members are community activists as well, writing letters and engaging politicians to ensure that legislation is passed for the betterment of agriculture; they also make donations to the local HomeSafe organization for abused women and visit local assisted living facilities; and

WHEREAS, these agricultural enthusiasts assist local farmers and ranchers with their annual fundraiser to support scholarship funds; and

WHEREAS, for their hard work, commitment to excellence, and loyalty to the cause, the RCFB Women's Committee has received the Women's Gold Star Award from the Tennessee

Farm Bureau Federation nearly twenty times, every year for which the award has been given; the award is granted to county organizations in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, the RCFB Women's Committee recently ranked fourth and received a Blue Award, and also received the Top Five Award in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the members of the RCFB Women's Committee have distinguished themselves as public-spirited citizens of the highest order, a tradition which has been kindled since the organization's founding; and

WHEREAS, their remarkable successes as public servants and civic leaders are directly attributable to their reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense, and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women's Committee is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women's Committee for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee and salute their unswerving commitment to the farming industry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.